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SUBJECT: UNESCO; 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD: U. S. PROPOSAL
FOR COMPLAINTS MECHANISM

REFS: A) STATE 65129; B) PARIS 8863

1. DEPT. HAS EXAMINED PERM DEL'S ANALYSIS, AND WHILE
SUPPORTING PERM DEL'S PROPOSAL THAT WE CAREFULLY "STUDY
DG'S FORTHCOMING REPORT," AND MAKE A STRONG STATEMENT
RELATING TO IT AT 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD, WE FIND NO SIGNI-
FICANT CONFLICT BETWEEN THAT AND DEPT'S PROPOSAL IN REFTEL
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2. WHAT WE ARE PROPOSING AT THIS TIME IS CONSULTATION WITH
EXECUTIVE BOARD CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE IG WHO ARE
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ALSO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. WE FURTHER INTEND TO
CARRY OUT THIS CONSULTATION WITH STRICT REGARD TO PROTOCOL,
SEEING THE RIGHT PEOPLE IN THE RIGHT ORDER. WE INTEND
SIMPLY TO ASK WHETHER OR NOT THEY SEE ANY MERIT TO PROPOSAL
TO STRENGTHEN UNESCO THROUGH THE ADDITION OF A COMMITTEE OF
EXPERTS, SELECTED FROM OUTSIDE, AND WORKING OUTSIDE, THE
POLITICAL ORGANS OF UNESCO TO PERFORM A CAREFUL REVIEW OF

ANY COMPLAINT BROUGHT BY ONE MEMBER STATE AGAINST ANOTHER AT UNESCO. THIS WOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO QUESTIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, BUT WOULD INCLUDE THEM. IF MARTIN

AND THE IG POSE FUNDAMENTAL OBJECTIONS, THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO LET THE INITIATIVE DROP, AT LEAST FOR THE TIME BEING.

3. IF, AND ONLY IF, WE HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THESE FRIENDLY NATIONS AND SUPPORT OR ACQUIESCENCE OF DG M'BOW WILL WE MAKE A STATEMENT REGARDING OUR INITIATIVE IN THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. IN ANY EVENT, WE STILL COULD MAKE A STATEMENT RELATED TO DG'S REPORT ON HUMAN RIGHTS MACHINERY. MORE-OVER, WE WILL PROCEED ONLY IF WE ARE IN A POSITION TO PAY ENOUGH OF OUR ARREARAGES TO PRECLUDE ANY ACCUSATION OF U. S. "COERCION."

4. WE ARE ANXIOUS TO TAKE INITIATIVES OF OUR OWN, AND SOON, TO MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM OF PROGRESS THAT DEVELOPED AT NAIROBI. CONGRESS, BOTH CRITICS AND SUPPORTERS OF UNESCO ALIKE, HAVE MADE CLEAR THAT THEY LINK FURTHER SUPPORT FOR FUNDING TO FURTHER PROGRESS IN DEPOLITICIZATION. (N.B. AS INDICATED INITIALLY IN REFTEL A, WE ACCEPT PERM DEL'S SUGGESTION THAT THIS TERM NOT BE USED IN OUR PRESENTATIONS IN PARIS, BUT IT IS STILL MUCH IN USE IN WASHINGTON.) WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT MERELY MAKING A STRONG STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE DG'S REPORT WILL BE REGARDED AS PROGRESS BY CRITICS OR SUPPORTERS HERE. IF CIRCUMSTANCES ARE RIGHT SO THAT U. S. COULD, AT 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD, TAKE FIRST STEP TOWARD ESTABLISHMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL

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COMPLAINTS MECHANISM, THIS COULD HAVE IMMENSELY HELPFUL EFFECT UPON THINKING IN CONGRESS ABOUT UNESCO AND OUR ROLE THEREIN.

5. SINCE DEPT. PERCEIVES NO INCOMPATIBILITY BETWEEN PERM DEL'S PROPOSAL FOR STATEMENT DURING 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD AND DEPT'S PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH MARTIN AND IG EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO 102ND, WE REQUEST PERM DEL TO MOVE AHEAD TO CONTACT MARTIN ASAP AND THEN, ASSUMING NO OBJECTION FROM HIM, THE MEMBERS OF IG WHO ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD. YOU SHOULD CONTACT IG MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD INDIVIDUALLY AND NOT WAIT UNTIL AN IG MEETING IS CONVOKED.

6. YOU SHOULD ALSO EMPHASIZE THAT, WELL BEYOND CONSIDERATIONS OF IMMEDIATE IMPACT, WE ARE INTERESTED IN ESTABLISHING WITHIN UNESCO A MUCH MORE RATIONAL AND ESPECIALLY A MORE OBJECTIVE MECHANISM FOR DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS AGAINST MEMBER STATES THAN THE ORGANIZATION NOW HAS AT ITS

DISPOSAL. WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF
ENHANCING UNESCO'S PRESTIGE TO MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT
TO ENSURE THAT THE PRINCIPLE OF DUE PROCESS IS OBSERVED IN
QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CRITICISM OR CONDEMNATION OF
MEMBER STATES ON HUMAN RIGHTS OR ANY OTHER QUESTIONS. WE
SEEK THEREFORE TO IMPROVE NOT LIMIT THE PRACTICAL
CAPABILITY OF UNESCO TO DEAL WITH SUCH QUESTIONS.

7. FYI: WE DISCUSSED THIS INITIATIVE WITH FOBES MARCH 28.
HE SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WOULD BE GOOD SUPPORT FOR IT,
THOUGH HE IS NOT SURE SUCH SUPPORT CAN BE MUSTERED IN
TIME FOR 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD. HE ALSO SAID THAT IN THE
REPORT ON 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD AGENDA ITEM 5.6.2, WITHOUT
COMING OUT AND SAYING SO, THE DG WOULD GIVE A SIGNAL THAT
HE THOUGHT THE ILO'S MECHANISM WAS THE ONE BEST SUITED
TO UNESCO'S SITUATION. END FYI. HOWEVER, WE STRESS THAT
WE ARE OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS FOR MODIFYING OUR PROPOSAL
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AND INDEED FOR ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF ACHIEVING A DUE
PROCESS MECHANISM FOR DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS AGAINST
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